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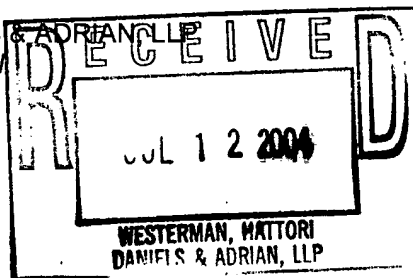


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$258 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$1158** for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$258**
 - **\$258** for **3** independent claims over 3.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of: Yoshihito FUJIMAKI et al.

ATTN: BOX MISSING PARTS

Serial No.: 10/730,249

Confirmation No.: 3357

Filed: December 9, 2003

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For: FRICTION MATERIAL AND ITS MANUFACTURING METHOD

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

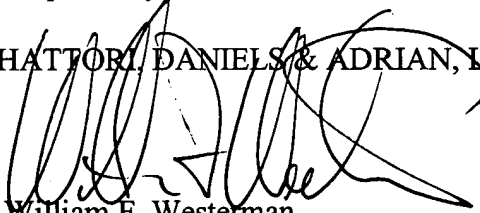
In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, dated July 8, 2004, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of \$1158.00, for the government filing fee of \$770.00, \$258.00 for (3) additional independent claims and the surcharge fee of \$130.00 for filing the late Declaration.

In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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